

Transportation Finance

Issues: Spending comparison

How does Wisconsin's spending compare to other states?

Spending of state-collected user fees on highways is significantly **lower** than the national average

- In 2000, Wisconsin ranked 44th nationally in the percent of state-collected user fees spent on state highways.
 - \$474 million in total state highway spending
 - This rate of spending was 16% **below** the national average

Support for local transportation is much higher than the national average

- Wisconsin distributes a much higher percentage of its state highway user fees to local roads and transit than the national average.
- In 2000, Wisconsin ranked 9th nationally in the return of state highway user fees to local communities in local road and street aids.
 - \$526 million in total local road and street spending
 - This rate of spending was 21% **above** the national average.
- In 2000, Wisconsin ranked 7th nationally in percent of state spending on transit.
 - \$97 million in total transit spending
 - This rate of spending was 4.7% **above** the national average.

Wisconsin Distribution of State Highway User Fees in 2000

Program	Funds Distributed	Total for Wisconsin	% of Total	US Avg %	WI Rank
State Highways	\$1,136,528	\$474,194	42.0%	58.0%	44
Local Roads & Streets	\$1,136,528	\$526,042	46.0%	25.0%	9
Transit	\$1,136,528	\$ 96,559	8.5%	3.8%	7

Source: FHWA Highway Statistics